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Falmouth, Decemb. 7.

THe 5th instant passed by this Port a considerable Fleet of ships outward bound, and, among others, those bound for *Virginia*, the Wind being at East.

Naples, Novemb. 24. We have at present little to advise from hence, unless it be to tell you, that affairs in *Sicily* continue in an ill posture, insomuch that the Spanish Viceroy has sent his Lady with most of his richest Moveables hither for their greater security.

Madrid, Dec. 2. The last Letters we had from *Flanders*, left people in expectation of receiving a sudden and considerable supply of monies from hence in order to the making the necessary preparations against Spring, which might enable them to act separately, without being obliged to the assistance of their Allies; but at this Court the chief care seems to be for the preservation of *Sicily*, and to that end for setting out a Fleet of our own against Spring, which may be able to make head against the French, this Crown being, as it's said, little satisfied with the Dutch Squadron that was employed in *Sicily*. We have advices from *Argiers* which say, that there hath been a person on the part of the States General of the United Provinces, to make a Peace with that Government, but that hitherto he had not succeeded in his Negotiation, and therefore was preparing for his return home. From *Lisbon* they write, that the Corsairs of *Barbary* do very much infest those Coasts, and disturb the Navigation of the Portuguese. The King, we are told, continues his intention of beginning his journey to *Arragon* about the middle of *May*, to give the States of that Kingdom the satisfaction they by their Deputies prayed for, to have their priviledges confirmed and sworn to by his Majesty. It is said that orders have been sent to the Prince *de Ligne*, Governor of *Milan*, to raise several Troops in that Countrey for the service of *Sicily*. The Count *de Melgar*, who is at present at *Rome* in quality of Ambassador of this Crown, has orders to remain there with the same character, until such time as the Marquis *de Liche* arrive there; and the Cardinal *Nithard* being made Archbishop of *Palermo*, will go and live at his Diocess. A Solemn Embassie is preparing to be sent to the Emperors Court, to conduct the young Queen of *Spain* into this Kingdom.

Copenhagen, Decemb. 8. Notwithstanding the violent Colds, the Armies in *Schonen* continue in the Field posted as formerly, frequent actions happening between parties, in which prisoners are taken on both sides. Two days since Admiral *Tromp* landed with 2000 Seamen in *Schonen*, to reinforce the Danish Army, which is very much weakned through the distempers occasioned by the season, which notwithstanding it is extreme rigorous, the King is resolved to continue in the Field till the Suedes are retired out of *Schonen*. We have had several reports that they had sent off all their Baggage towards *Helmstadt* and that the whole Suedish Army was to follow in a day or two, and these reports still continue, but without the least certainty. The King of *Denmark* has conferred upon the Sieur *Tromp* the honor of an Earl of this Kingdom, and has likewise made him a Knight of the Order of the Elephant.

Ditto, Decemb. 10. It seems the Suedish Army did about four days since decamp and marched towards *Helmstadt*, but it was onely to amuse their Enemy, for in the night they returned again to their Camp. The sixth instant parted hence Count *Anthony* of *Oldenburg* on his way to *Nimeguen*, where he is to assist at the Treaty of Peace on the part of this Crown. A great number of Coats, Shoes and Stockings with other necessaries, are providing here for the Army in some measure to fortifie the Soldiers against the extreme Colds. The Sieur *Guldenlieu* is upon his return to *Norway*, to give the Enemy a diversion on that side.

Ratisbonne, Decemb. 7. The 5th instant his Imperial Majesty parted from *Linz* on his journey to *Passaw*, whither the Bishop of *Aichstadt* is gone from hence. The 6th instant the Imperial Bride arrived at *Staubingen* six *German* Miles from hence, and the 8th continued her journey to *Passaw*. The Duke and Duchess of *Neubourg* remain at their Residence at *Neubourg*. In *Bohemia* great Levies are making for the service of the Emperor.

Strasburg, Decemb. 11. The Troops being now quiet in their Winter-quarters, there happens nothing worth communicating in these parts.

Francfort, Decemb. 13. There hath been much to do about getting Winter-quarters for the *Munster* and *Lunenburg* Troops, in which so many difficulties have occurred, that had not the said Troops by force possessed themselves of several places convenient for them they would have been still to seek for quarters. The Officers come daily hither, and buy what necessaries they need. The Town of *Gelhausen* hath consented to receive seven Troops of Horse, but the *Lunenburgs* not being content therewith, they have drawn their Forces together, and have beset the said place, with design to enter it by force.

Cologne, Decemb. 15. On Thursday last arrived here another Courier from the Emperors Court at *Passaw*, with orders to the *Osnabrug* Troops forthwith to quit this Diocess; which Courier was directed by the principal Commanders of the said Troops to pass on to *Osnabrug*, where their Duke at present is, without whose orders they refuse to yield obedience to those of the Emperor. The Imperial Commissary the Sieur *Fudocus* presses the demand he hath made to our Magistrates of the Sum of 50000 Crowns, to exempt them from giving Winter-quarters; but the said Sum being to be raised from the Commonalty, it's thought it will prove a matter of some difficulty. The other day happened a great disorder at *Dorsten* in this Diocess, by reason that the Imperial Garison that is there, assisted by the Inhabitants and the Boors of the neighborhood, refused the liberty of the passage to a *Brandenburg* Regiment, of which several Soldiers were killed, and others wounded; to revenge which, we understand that part of the Garison